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INTERNATIONAL DIVISION

The Honorable William E. Colby Director Central Intelligence Agency

Dear Mr. Colby:

This letter will advise you of our intention to conduct a survey of the management of U.S. trade policy towards developing nations. Our survey will focus on the various Government policies, procedures, and programs concerning U.S.-LDC trade relations. The survey is intended to familiarize ourselves with Government and private activities in this significant area. Initially, we will be concentrating on identifying which executive branch agencies have programs impacting on U.S.-LDC trade, their objectives, policies, practices and procedures, interactions with the private sector, and the like. Later we expect to get more deeply involved in matters warranting attention.

The work will be performed by the Trade and Finance Group of the International Division and should last several months.

The code number for this assignment is 48253. We would appreciate the assistance of your Office in notifying appropriate officials of our survey and in arranging to make available to us information needed to complete this assignment. We would be pleased to meet with you or your representatives to discuss our interests and objectives.

If you have any questions, please contact, Mr. Joseph R. Ferri, Assistant Director, code 129-5507 - outside 386-5507.

Sincerely yours,

Associate Director

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